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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS FOR PATENT APPLICATIONS CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE AND/OR AMINO ACID SEQUENCE DISCLOSURES

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures ("the Notice") mailed December 17, 2001, in connection with the above-identified application, Applicants submit herewith: (i) a Sequence Listing in computer readable form pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.821(e); and (ii) a Verified Statement Concerning Sequence Listing Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(f). Applicants respectfully request the entry of the computer readable form of the Sequence Listing into the file.

In the Notice, Applicants were additionally required to provide a substitute paper copy of the Sequence Listing. However, the Notice did not indicate that the paper copy of the Sequence Listing as originally filed was missing, and this was confirmed during a telephone conference between Applicants' representative Mr. David Hibler and Supervisory Patent Examiner Low on January 15, 2002. During the telephone conference, Supervisory Patent Examiner Low indicated that a substitute paper copy of the Sequence Listing did not need to be filed if the CRF copy of the Sequence Listing is identical to the paper copy of the Sequence Listing as originally filed. Therefore, Applicants are providing herewith a CRF copy of the Sequence Listing, and a statement that the content of the original paper and computer readable copies of the Sequence Listing are the same.

Applicants believe that no fee is due in connection with this response. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any required fee to Deposit Account No. 50-0892.

Respectfully submitted,

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